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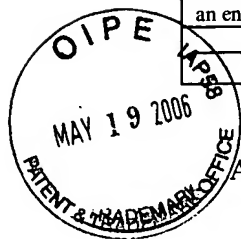
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SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 11, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. The label on claim 13 has been corrected to recite “(original)” to indicate that no amendments have been implemented on this claim.